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II. PROJECTS AWAITING CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

1. U. S. ECONOMIC DEFENSE POLICY TOWARD HONG KONG AND MACAO
Ref: Council - NSC 152/2 and 122/1; NSC Action No. 864-b;
Memo, October 19, 1953
Plan. Bd. - Memo, October 6, 1953

Origin: The Council on July 30 directed the Economic Defense Advisory Committee to review NSC 122/1 on the subject in the light of NSC 152/2, and to submit recommendations for any revision in NSC 122/1 required to make it conform to NSC 152/2 (NSC Action No. 864-b).

Current Status: Recommendations prepared by the Planning Board after a review of NSC 122/1 pursuant to the above Council action have been transmitted by the reference memorandum of October 19 are scheduled for consideration on November 5.

2. U. S. COURSES OF ACTION IN KOREA IN THE ABSENCE OF AN ACCEPTABLE POLITICAL SETTLEMENT
Ref: Council - NSC 167, 154/1, 157/1, 147, 156/1, 166 and 118/2; NSC Action Nos. 759, 794 and 949; Memo, October 28, 1953; NIE-80; SE-41 and SE-48; Memo, subject, "Additional United Nations Forces for Korea", July 27, 1953

Origin: A report on the subject, prepared by the Planning Board in response to paragraph 19 of NSC 154/1, was submitted as NSC 167 for the consideration of the Council.

Current Status: A summary of courses of action prepared by State and Defense with the assistance of CIA pursuant to NSC Action No. 949-c is to be circulated for consideration by the Council at its meeting on November 5. (See also related project in Section IV below.)

3. UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD COMMUNIST CHINA
Ref: Council - NSC 166 and 154/1, paragraph 19, NSC Action Nos. 777-d (2) and 833
Plan. Bd. - Memos, October 5 and 6, 1953; Record of Meeting, October 8 and 12, 1953

Origin: Paragraph 19 of NSC 154/1, approved by the President on July 3, directs that, in the light of the post-armistice situation, a fundamental review and reassessment of our basic policy toward Communist China, as well as our position with respect to Korea, should be undertaken.

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UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD COMMUNIST CHINA (Cont'd)

Current Status: The draft statement of policy contained in the reference report by the NSC Planning Board on the subject (NSC 166) which was prepared in response to paragraph 19 of NSC 154/1 and NSC Action No. 777-d (2), is scheduled for consideration on November 5, 1953.

4. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO FORMOSA AND THE CHINESE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT
Ref: Council - NSC 146, 146/1, 128 and 48/5; Annex to NSC 146; NSC Action Nos. 760 and 624; Memos, April 6 and 7, 1953; NIE-27/1; SE-29

Origin: The Council on April 2, 1952, directed the NSC Staff, after preliminary discussion by State, Defense and CIA, to prepare a report for Council consideration in the light of a review of NSC 48/5, insofar as it pertains to U. S. policy toward Formosa, the Chinese Nationalist Government, and other anti-Communist Chinese forces and in the light of views of the JCS, contained in NSC 128 (NSC Action No. 624-b).

Current Status: The draft statement of policy contained in the reference report on the subject (NSC 146/1), prepared by the Planning Board on the basis of a review of NSC 146 in relation to NSC 166 (see project just above), is scheduled for consideration November 5, 1953.

5. NATIONAL PETROLEUM PROGRAM
Ref: Council - NSC 97/5; Progress Report dated October 1, 1953 by the Director of ODM on NSC 97/5; Memo, October 28

Origin: Paragraphs 10 and 11-a of NSC 97/5 call respectively for a review by the Secretary of Defense not later than September 1 of the military requirements for aviation gasoline and a review by the Council not later than December 31 of the goal of a tanker reserve of 175 T-2 equivalents.

Current Status: Proposed amendments to the reference report on the subject (NSC 97/5), prepared by the Planning Board on the basis of an ODM draft submitted pursuant to paragraph 34 of the reference progress report and transmitted by the reference memorandum of October 28 are tentatively scheduled for Council action on November 12 together with the reference progress report.

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6. NSC 26 SERIES

Ref: Council - Progress Report dated August 7, 1953
by the Acting Secretary of State

Origin: The reference Progress Report has been circulated for the information of the Council.

Current Status: Tentatively scheduled for consideration on November 12 together with a revision of NSC 26 being prepared by the Planning Board (see Section III below).

7. UNITED STATES POLICIES IN THE FAR EAST

Ref: Council - NSC 148, 48/5, 146/1 and 166; NSC Action Nos. 758 and 777-d (2); Memo, subject, "Cost Estimates of United States Policies in the Far East", April 21, 1953; Memo for All Holders of April 21 memo dated April 23, 1953; Memo, April 30, 1953; NIE-47

Origin: Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by the Planning Board, was submitted for Council consideration as NSC 148, together with a Far East Financial Summary and an annex constituting an NSC Staff study on Communist China.

Current Status: Awaiting further study by the Council of NSC 148. (See also related projects above).

8. COAST GUARD OPERATIONS INCLUDING PORT SECURITY

Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 830; Memo, September 11, 1953; Memos, June 23 and July 31, 1953, subject, "Port Security"; Memo, August 31, 1953, subject, "Coast Guard Operations Affecting National Security"; Progress Report dated March 3, 1952 by the Treasury Department and the Department of the Navy on the NSC 78 series; NSC 159

Origin: The Council on July 2 referred the letter of the Acting Secretary of the Treasury on the subject (reference memo of June 23) to the Continental Defense Committee of the Planning Board for consideration in connection with other continental defense problems, with particular reference to the possibility of the Department of Defense taking responsibility for certain U. S. ports where U. S. military vessels are concentrated. The Council also noted that the Secretary of the Treasury was undertaking a review of Coast Guard Operations, in connection with which he would submit to the Council recommendations regarding matters involving interdepartmental operations (NSC Action No. 830).

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Current Status: Recommendations of the NSC Planning Board on the subject contained in the reference memorandum of September 11 are tentatively scheduled for Council consideration on November 23.

III. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC PLANNING BOARD

1. U. S. OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO INDONESIA

Ref: Council - NSC 124/2; NSC Action Nos. 872 and 903; Memo, September 3, 1953 enclosing a Progress Report, dated August 27, 1953, by the Secretary of State and the Acting Secretary of Defense on the subject; SE-51 Plan. Bd. - Record of Meetings, August 10 and 20, 1953; Memo, October 29, 1953

Origin: The Council on August 6 directed the NSC Planning Board to study and prepare recommendations with respect to the developments in Indonesia (NSC Action No. 872-b).

Current Status: Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by State (reference memo of October 29), is scheduled for consideration by the Planning Board on November 2.

2. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO SOUTHEAST ASIA

Ref: Council - NSC 124/2; Progress Report dated August 5, 1953 by the Acting Secretary of State and the Acting Secretary of Defense on NSC 124/2; NSC Action No. 904 Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting, October 26; Memo, October 30, 1953

Origin: The Council on September 9 noted the reference Progress Report on the subject by the Acting Secretary of State and the Acting Secretary of Defense, and referred it to the Planning Board for consideration of the changes in policies proposed therein (NSC Action No. 904).

Current Status: A preliminary draft statement of policy prepared by the Board Assistants as a proposed revision of NSC 124/2 is scheduled for consideration November 2.

3. DEFENSE MOBILIZATION ASSUMPTIONS AND OBJECTIVES

Ref: Plan. Bd. - Memo, September 26, 1953; Record of Meeting, October 26, 1953

Origin: A statement of interim defense mobilization assumptions and objectives for FY 1954 and FY 1955, together with a letter on the subject by the Director of ODM, was transmitted by the reference memo of September 24 for discussion by the Planning Board at an early meeting.

Current Status: Awaiting preliminary coordination by the Board Assistants, based on the memo of September 24, prior to Planning Board consideration on November 4.

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4. ARMAMENTS AND AMERICAN POLICY

Ref: Council - NSC 151; NSC Action Nos. 725, 799, 869, 895 and 912; Memo, July 28, 1953
Plan. Bd. - Memo for Senior NSC Staff, February 4, 1953; Memo, October 27, 1953; Record of Meeting, May 6, 1953

Origin: The NSC, on February 25, 1953, after discussing recommendations of the Department of State Panel of Consultants on Disarmament contained in their report on the subject (reference memo of February 4), referred the report to the Senior NSC Staff, directing it, with the assistance of Dr. Vannevar Bush, to report back to the Council on possible means of carrying out the recommendations (NSC Action No. 725).

Current Status: Awaiting: (a) further report by OCB pursuant to NSC Action No. 869-b on progress made in the development and implementation of the program for informing the American people, and (b) consideration by the Planning Board at its meeting on November 4 of the memorandum by the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee and its attached report (relating to Recommendation 2 of the report transmitted by the reference memo of February 4) which have been circulated by the reference memo of October 27.

5. CIVIL ADMINISTRATION OF THE RYUKYU ISLANDS, REMAINING UNDER U. S. JURISDICTION

Ref: Council - Memo, August 7, 1953; Memos, subject, "The Japanese Treaty Islands", June 15 and August 7, 1953; NSC 125/5, para. 4
Plan. Bd. - Memo, October 26, 1953; Record of Meeting, October 28, 1953

Origin: The Council on June 25 in connection with its action on "The Japanese Treaty Islands" (see NSC Action No. 824, para. 4 of NSC 125/6 and reference memo of August 7) agreed that the Secretary of Defense, in collaboration with the Department of State, the Bureau of the Budget, and other interested agencies, should recommend for Council consideration a policy on the civil administration of those Ryukyu Islands remaining under U. S. jurisdiction, which would reduce U. S. responsibility for such civil administration as rapidly as compatible with U. S. military requirements.

Current Status: Awaiting a report by the Defense member based upon study of detailed comments by Planning Board members on the proposed directive prepared by Defense and transmitted by the reference memo of October 26. Tentatively scheduled for November 4.

6. NSC 26 SERIES

Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 753; Progress Report dated March 9, 1953, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 26 Series; Progress Report dated August 7, 1953 by the Acting Secretary of State on the NSC 26 Series
Plan. Bd. - Memo, October 27, 1953

Origin: The Council on March 25 noted the reference Progress Report on the subject and that the Department of State is preparing a proposed revision of this policy for Council consideration (NSC Action No. 753).

Current Status: A draft statement of policy and staff study, prepared by State after consultation with Defense and CIA (reference memo of October 27) is awaiting preliminary coordination by the Board Assistants prior to Planning Board consideration. Tentatively scheduled for November 5. (See also Section II above)

7. U. S. POLICY WITH RESPECT TO KOREA

Ref: Council - NSC 167, 154/1, 157/1, 156/1, 118/2; NSC Action No. 949; Memo, "Additional UN Forces For Korea", July 27, 1953; NIE-80; SE-41 and 48

Origin: The Council at its meeting on October 29, 1953 noted that the NSC Planning Board would prepare an overall statement of policy on Korea for Council consideration at its meeting on November 19, 1953 (NSC Action No. 949-f).

Current Status: Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration on November 5, 1953.

8. UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD FINLAND

Ref: Council - NSC 121; Progress Report dated August 25, 1953 by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 121; NSC Action No. 905

Origin: The Council on September 9 noted the reference Progress Report by the Under Secretary of State on the subject and agreed that the FOA should prepare, for Planning Board consideration, proposed changes in U. S. policy toward Finland, as contained in NSC 121, designed to lessen Finland's economic dependence on the Soviet bloc (NSC Action No. 905).

Current Status: Awaiting proposed changes by FOA in U. S. policy toward Finland. Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration November 9.

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9. INTERNAL SECURITY ASPECTS OF CONTINENTAL DEFENSE

Ref: Council - NSC 159/1 and 159/4; NSC Action No. 915-c and e

Origin: NSC 159/4, approved by the President on September 25, provides: (a) (para. 20-b (3)), that action on Recommendation 8 of NSC 159/1, should be deferred pending report to the Council on the results of a 30-day check of actual entry of unaccompanied Soviet bloc diplomatic baggage and shipments; (b) (para. 20-b(4)), that pending the results of this check, Recommendation 9 of 159/1 should be confined to accompanied baggage and effects; (c) (para. 20-e)), that the elements in the program of countermeasures relating to more effective prevention of illegal arrivals of persons and more effective control of smuggling require further consideration by the Planning Board before action is recommended to the Council.

Current Status: Awaiting: (a) report from Treasury and Justice on the results of the 30-day check referred to above, (b) further consideration by the Planning Board of the recommendations referred to in (c) above. Tentatively scheduled for November 12. (See also related projects in Section IV below.)

10. UNITED STATES POLICY AND COURSES OF ACTION TO COUNTER POSSIBLE SOVIET OR SATELLITE ACTION AGAINST BERLIN

Ref: Council - Progress Report dated September 10, 1953 by the Secretary of State on NSC 132/1; NSC Action No. 920
Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting, October 22

Origin: The Council at its meeting on October 1, 1953 noted the reference Progress Report and directed the NSC Planning Board to review the policy on the subject in NSC 132/1 in the light of the discussion at the meeting (NSC Action No. 920).

Current Status: Awaiting preparation by the Board Assistants of draft amendments to NSC 132/1. Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration November 16.

11. UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY

Ref: Council - NSC 160/1; NSC Action Nos. 881, 919 and 931

Origin: At its meeting on October 1 the Council (a) re-affirmed the statement of policy on the subject in NSC 160/1, pending review of the Council in 30 days; (b) requested the Director of FOA, in collaboration with State and Defense and the Bureau of the Budget, to prepare for Council information in 30 days a revised financial appendix on the subject.

UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY (Cont'd)

Current Status: Awaiting review of NSC 160/1 by the Council and the preparation by the Director, FOA, of a revised financial appendix on the subject. Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration on November 16.

12. UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD THE SOVIET SATELLITES IN EASTERN EUROPE

Ref: Council - NSC 58/2; NIE-87

Plan. Bd. - Memo for Senior NSC Staff, March 3, 1953; Memos, May 18, July 28 and August 17, 1953; Record of Senior Staff Meeting, January 29, 1953; Record of Meetings of Planning Board, April 24, May 20 and August 24, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff agreed on January 29 to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions, including this policy question.

Current Status: Awaiting a revision by State of the draft statement of policy of August 17 in the light of the Planning Board discussion on August 24. Tentatively scheduled for November 18.

13. REVIEW OF UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES VIS-A-VIS THE USSR IN THE EVENT OF WAR

Ref: Council - NSC 162/1, 153/1 and 20/4; NSC Action Nos. 811 and 945-d

Plan. Bd. - Record of Meetings, May 29, June 29, July 6 and 13, 1953; JCS Draft, "U. S. Objectives in the Event of General War," dated June 26, 1953

Origin: At its meeting on October 29, 1953, the Council (NSC Action No. 944-d) noted that the Planning Board would submit for Council consideration a revision of "U. S. Objectives vis-a-vis the USSR in the Event of War", as stated in the Annex to NSC 162/1 in the light of the provisions of NSC 162/1, as revised.

Current Status: Awaiting consideration by the Planning Board. Tentatively scheduled for November 19.

14. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH ASIA

Ref: Council - NSC 98/1

Plan. Bd. - Memos, June 9 and August 13, 1953;
Record of Senior Staff Meeting, January 29, 1953;
Record of Planning Board Meetings, June 22 and August 19, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff at its meeting on January 29 agreed to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions including this policy question.

Current Status: Awaiting revision by State on the draft statement of policy on the subject dated August 13 on the basis of the Planning Board's discussion on August 19 and completion by State of a staff study responsive to the questions of the Board members.

15. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO NORTH AFRICA

Ref: Plan. Bd. - Memos for Senior Staff, March 4 and 16, 1953; Memo, August 18, 1953; Record of Meetings of Planning Board, May 11 and August 20, 1953; NIE-69 and supplement

Origin: Draft statement of policy and staff study prepared by State were transmitted by reference memo of March 4 for consideration by the Senior Staff.

Current Status: Awaiting consideration by the Planning Board on the draft statement of policy of August 18.

16. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO IRAN

Ref: Council - NSC 136/1; NSC Action No. 891

Plan. Bd. - Memo, August 3, 1953; Record of Meetings, July 30, August 6 and August 24, 1953

Origin: The Planning Board on July 30 discussed U. S. policy toward Iran in the light of recent developments and estimates of the situation and agreed to consider at an early meeting the desirability of a basic review and revision of U. S. policy toward Iran.

Current Status: Awaiting further consideration by the Planning Board.

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17. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO LATIN AMERICA

Ref: Council - NSC 144/1; Annex to NSC 144

Origin: NSC 144/1, approved by the President on March 18, stated (para. 3) that its limited purpose was to define our objectives and courses of action concerning important problems common to the area; policies toward specific country situations, such as those in Argentina and Guatemala, were left for subsequent papers.

Current Status: Awaiting a draft report from State based upon its review of United States policy toward Latin America, including United States policy toward specific countries in Latin America. (See also related project just below.)

18. U. S. OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO VENEZUELA

Ref: Council - NSC 144/1 and Annex to NSC 144; NIE-67 and NIE-70; Memo, subject, "The National Security Interest in Successful Trade Agreement Negotiations with Venezuela", February 29, 1952
Plan. Bd. - Memo, October 22, 1953

Origin: A draft statement of policy and staff study on the subject, prepared by State were transmitted for the consideration of the Planning Board by the reference memo of October 22.

Current Status: Awaiting consideration by the Planning Board. (See also related project just above).

19. DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR POWER

Ref: Council - Memo, October 20, 1953; NSC 162/1, paragraph 40-f; NSC 149/2, Paragraph 7
Plan. Bd. - Memo, October 20, 1953; Record of Meeting, October 28, 1953

Origin: A letter from the Secretary of Commerce on the subject was circulated to the Council for information by the reference memo of October 20 and referred to the Planning Board for study and for the preparation of recommendations for Council consideration.

Current Status: Awaiting a report on the subject by the special committee constituted at the Planning Board meeting on October 28, and consisting of officials designated by Defense, Commerce and AEC, assisted by Dr. Beckler as scientific adviser and Mr. Farley as executive secretary.

20. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE
COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITALY

Ref: Council - Progress Report dated May 20, 1953 by the
Acting Secretary of State on NSC 67/3
Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting, October 29, 1953

Origin: The reference Progress Report on the subject advised that the Department of State considers that NSC 67/3 has, in some respects, been overtaken by events, and that a new draft is under preparation for submission for the consideration of the Council, which will reflect conclusions drawn from the outcome of the Italian national elections held on June 7, 1953.

Current Status: Awaiting preparation of a draft report by State.

21. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO
YUGOSLAVIA

Ref: Council - NSC 18/2 and 18/6
Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting of Senior Staff,
January 29, 1953; Record of Meeting of Planning
Board, October 29, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff on January 29 agreed to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions, including this policy question.

Current Status: Awaiting preparation of a draft report by State.

22. U. S. POLICY TOWARD TRIESTE

Ref: Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting, October 29, 1953

Origin: Mr. Cutler on September 14 called the Planning Board's attention to the new project being initiated on this subject.

Current Status: Awaiting a report from State. (See also related projects just above.)

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IV. PROJECTS ASSIGNED TO OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

1. U. S. POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE REGULATION, LIMITATION AND BALANCED REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCES AND ARMAMENTS

Ref: Council - NSC 112 and 112/1; Progress Report dated January 19, 1953 by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 112; Memos, "Formulation of a United States Position with Respect to Regulation, Limitation and Balanced Reduction of Armed Forces and Armaments", February 17 and June 3, 1953; NSC Action Nos. 717-b, 899 and 909

Origin: At its meeting on September 9, 1953, the Council adopted the recommendations contained in paragraphs 7-b and 8 of NSC 112/1 and agreed to recommend to the President that the Secretaries of State and Defense and the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission be appointed a special committee to review, as a matter of urgency, the current policy contained in NSC 112, with particular reference to the international control of atomic energy, and to report back to the Council their findings and recommendations. (NSC Action No. 899)

Current Status: Awaiting report by the special committee. Tentatively scheduled for Council consideration on November 12.

2. ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION IN KOREA

Ref: Council - NSC 147; NSC Action Nos. 759, 777-e, 782, 787 and 794; Memo, "Future Courses of Action in Connection with the Situation in Korea", March 30, 1953; NIE-80; SE-41

Origin: A report on the subject prepared by the NSC Planning Board in the light of the estimate of the JCS transmitted by the reference memo of March 30, was submitted as NSC 147 for the consideration of the Council.

Current Status: Awaiting a report based upon review pursuant to NSC Action No. 949-d by State and JCS, with the assistance of CIA as appropriate, of the military and diplomatic measures provided in NSC Action No. 974. Scheduled for Council consideration on November 19.

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3. REVIEW OF EXISTING INTERNAL SECURITY LAWS

Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 910-b

Origin: The Council on September 17 agreed that the Department of Justice, with the assistance of the IIC and the ICIS, should review existing internal security laws in their entirety with a view to submitting for Council consideration constructive proposals regarding possible legislation which might be introduced at the next session of Congress (NSC Action No. 910-b).

Current Status: Awaiting report by Justice. Tentatively scheduled for November 23.

4. CONTINENTAL DEFENSE

Ref: Council - NSC 159/3; 159/4; NSC Action Nos. 915 and 946

Origin: The President on September 25, 1953 approved NSC 159/4 as a guide to the respective departments and agencies in implementing their programs during FY 1954 and in developing their programs for future years, subject to (1) Before November 22, a more precise definition by the Department of Defense of certain programs and their phasing, and the identification of the portion of Defense Department effort and costs related to such defined programs; and (2) Before December 15, determination by the Council of the manner of financing the recommended integrated programs for continental defense in FY 1954 and future years, in proper relation to the over-all budget and taking into account FY 1955 budget submission by the departments and agencies; and noted that the Director of Central Intelligence will submit recommendations to the Council regarding the implementation of paragraph 11 of NSC 159/3 on "Improved Intelligence" at the time that the Council considers the report by the Department of Defense submitted to (1) above. (Note: The dates in (1) and (2) above were changed from November 15 and December 1 respectively by NSC Action No. 946).

Current Status: Awaiting: (a) Report before November 22 from the Department of Defense pursuant to (1) above (tentatively scheduled for Council consideration November 23), (b) recommendations from the Director of Central Intelligence regarding the implementation of paragraph 11 of NSC 159/3 and (c) a determination by the Council before December 15 pursuant to (2) above. (See also related projects above in Section III).

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5. FY 1955 BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS

Ref: Council - NSC 161, No. 11; NSC Action Nos. 930 and 945

Origin: The Council at its meeting on October 13: (a) discussed the subject on the basis of oral presentations by the Director, Bureau of the Budget, the Chairman, AEC, the Director, FOA, the Secretary of Defense and Assistant Secretary of Defense McNeil; and (b) requested the Secretary of Defense, the Director, FOA, and the Chairman, AEC, to submit to the Council at its meeting on October 29, interim reports of estimated FY 1955 expenditures for their respective programs, to the extent that they had then been reviewed and coordinated within each agency in the light of the Council's discussion (NSC Action No. 930).

Current Status: Awaiting final consideration of the subject at the Council meeting on December 15 based upon a report by the Secretary of Defense pursuant to NSC Action No. 945-a and further reports by the Director, FOA, and the Chairman, AEC.

6. ORGANIZATION OF THE GOVERNMENT WITH RESPECT TO INTERNAL SECURITY AND CONTINENTAL DEFENSE FUNCTIONS

Ref: Council - NSC 159 and 159/4, para. 14; NSC Action No. 873-d

Origin: The Council on August 6, 1953 (NSC Action No. 873-d) noted that the President requested Mr. Flemming to establish a special task force to study and make recommendations on improving the organization of government with respect to internal security functions and with respect to the continental defense functions covered in Part VI of NSC 159.

Current Status: Awaiting recommendations from Mr. Flemming. (See also related projects above and in Section III).

7. ELECTRO-MAGNETIC COMMUNICATIONS

Ref: Council - NSC 169; NSC Action Nos. 812, 840 and 934; Memo, July 14

Origin: By the Council action of July 11 on the subject transmitted by the reference memo of July 14 the Director of ODM was designated as coordinating authority to prepare a progress report, in consultation with State, Defense, CIA and other interested agencies by January 1 as to the recommendation contained in paragraph 3 of the action (subsequently incorporated in NSC 169 as paragraph 3). By NSC Action No. 934-d of October 22 the Director

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of ODM was directed to report to the Council, in connection with his January report such information as may then be available as a basis for decision on the subject of expanding or discontinuing U. S. high-frequency psychological broadcasting.

Current Status: Awaiting report by the Director of ODM pursuant to the above Council actions. Tentatively scheduled for January 1.

8. EFFECT ON NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS IN LATIN AMERICA OF POSSIBLE ANTI-TRUST PROCEEDINGS

Ref: Council - Memo, June 1, 1953; NSC Action No. 805

Origin: A report by the NSC Planning Board on the subject (reference memo for June 1) was considered by the Council on June 1, 1953 and it was agreed that in view of the adverse effects and national security interests in Latin America of the proposed anti-trust proceedings: (a) The proposed anti-trust proceedings should be postponed, without prejudice to the Government for one year, and (b) The Attorney General should be directed to negotiate with the company, as a matter of urgency, for the elimination of practices deemed to be inconsistent with U. S. anti-trust laws, reporting back to the NSC on the results of the negotiations (NSC Action No. 805).

Current Status: Awaiting report by the Attorney General. Tentatively scheduled for June 1954.

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